

News From Southern Shores Town Hall

Wednesday, December 7, 2005

Smith, McDonald Sworn In; Shields Elected Mayor Pro Tempore

At the December 6 Council meeting, Mayor Don Smith and Council Member Brian McDonald were sworn into office to start their 4-year terms on the Town Council. The Council also voted to elect Council Member Dan Shields as Mayor Pro Tempore. The term of the Mayor Pro Tempore is two years; through the next Council election.

Outgoing Mayor Hal Denny thanked the citizens of Southern Shores for their support over the years and thanked his fellow Council Members for their hard work. He also thanked the staff and he took special note of the volunteers who serve as the backbone of Southern Shores.

Incoming Mayor Don Smith thanked Southern Shores voters for their support and spoke of his goals. Mayor Smith said that he would begin "Mayor and Town Manager Chats" before each first Tuesday Council meeting, which would be a time for citizens to come and speak with the Mayor and Town Manager on any issue that might concern them. More information will be available in future Broadcast News.

The next regular Town Council meeting is Tuesday, January 3, at 7:00 PM with the Mayor and Town Manager Chat beginning at 6:00 PM. Both will be held at the Pitts Center, which is behind Town Hall.

HO! HO! HO! Community Caroling (With Santa) – December 9th

The Town is having a community Christmas Caroling, Friday, December 9, 2005 7:00 p.m. at the Pitts Center. We are expecting a visit from Santa and a few of his elves, so please bring your children and/or grandchildren. Hot cider and goodies will be served. Get into the holiday spirit with many favorite carols.

Crime Line

We may be enjoying the season of giving, but some nefarious types enjoy this as a season of taking. Be careful; be smart. If you see anything suspicious, please call the Police anytime at 473-3444.

You may know to "Dial 9 1 1" whenever there is an emergency, but what number do you call when you would like to report a crime anonymously? Call the Crime Line 473-3111. For more information go to: <http://www.outerbanksnc.net/crimeline/>

NC 12 Stormwater Improvements

NC12 (and vicinity) property owners, along with all citizens and interested people, are invited to learn about and comment on proposed stormwater management improvements being recommended along NC12. Engineering consultants retained jointly by Duck, Southern Shores and NCDOT will be presenting their findings and suggested improvements for the Southern Shores portion of NC12. The public will learn about the consultant's ideas and be able to give their input. The NC12

Stormwater Improvement public input meeting will be held Tuesday, December 13, beginning at 7:00 p.m. in the Pitts Center. Again, this public input meeting only pertains to the Southern Shores portion of NC12.

Water Theft from Ponds and Waterways

Recently, a contractor was caught pilfering water from an SSCA-owned pond near the Hillcrest Parking Area. With the help of the Southern Shores Police Department, the violator was notified that water is not allowed to be taken from SSCA ponds without their permission.

We need your help to stop what we have heard is a common practice. No one is authorized to take water from an SSCA pond or Town waterway without prior permission. If you see someone taking water from a pond or waterway anywhere in Southern Shores, please call Central Communications at 473-3444 anytime day or night any day of the year. Please give Central Communications a description of the vehicle, license plate number, description of the person, time and date you saw the activity and any other information you deem pertinent. An officer will investigate.

Of course, **anytime** (24/7) you see something amiss or need a Police Officer, remember to call Central Communications at 473-3444 and a Police Officer will be dispatched. (Don't forget to get a free cell phone sticker at Town Hall to help you remember the Central Communications number!)

Chipping:

The Chipper will be in Sector #2 the week of December 12, and your brush should be placed out by Monday morning. Sector #3 can start putting their brush out for chipping. **For more information and schedule on the program go to [Chips](#). To see a sector map go to [Map](#). Chips are available, please contact [Karen](#) with your address and place a sign off the right-of-way where to put the chips.**

Dates To Remember:

- Home Occupation Subcommittee/Special Planning Board Meeting, Wednesday, December 7, 2005, 7 p.m., Pitts Center. Volunteer Appreciation Recognition Dinner, Friday, December 9, 5:30 p.m., Pitts Center
- Town Christmas Caroling, Friday, December 9, 7 p.m. at the Pitts Center
- Planning Board Workshop, Tuesday, December 13, 2005, 1 p.m., Pitts Center
- NC 12 Stormwater Improvements Public Input meeting, December 13, 2005, 7 p.m., Pitts Center

If you need a police officer, anytime day or night, this weekend or any day of the year, please call Central Communications at 252-473-3444. Write that number down or pick up a free sticker at Town Hall. Keep this number by your phone and put it on your cell phone.

For more information, contact the Southern Shores Town Hall, 252-261-2394, 252-255-0876 (fax), info@southernshores-nc.gov , www.southernshores-nc.gov .

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